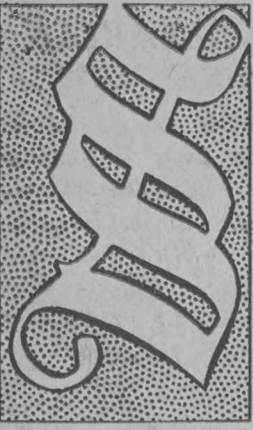
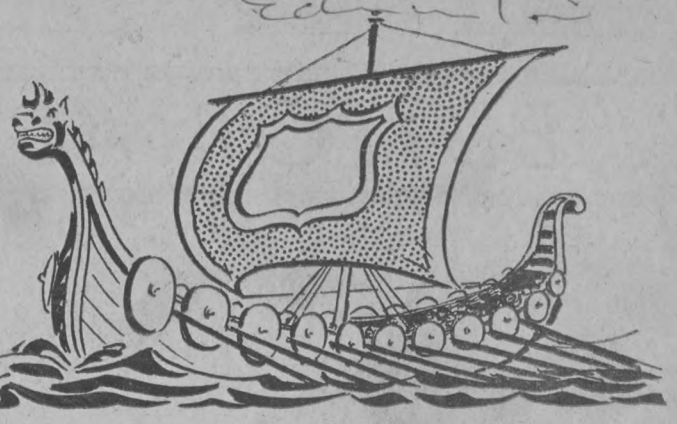


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Share-Selling Committee Meets

Committee Launches Telephone Share-Selling Campaign



From left to right: Mrs. L. Ness, Mrs. V. Nielsen, Mr. A. Modin, Mr. S. A. Sorenson, Mrs. L. Naversteth, Mrs. R. Sivertsen.

Shareholders Asked To Buy Share . . .

With S. A. Sorenson as Chairman, the share-selling committee met at the Devlin Banquet Room on Thursday, November 14th, to discuss ways and means of raising the \$50,000 so that the Scandinavian Centre will be paid for by the time construction is completed.

Since only 15 shareholders have responded to the Secretary's appeal in the November issue of the Scandinavian News, it was decided to phone each shareholder personally.

Many, many shareholders have promised that they would buy another share once actual construction had begun. The time has come. So when a member of the committee phones you, and asks you to buy another share, be courteous; she is working voluntarily on your behalf.

If you can buy that share now you will tell her so, and cut out the application form in the November issue of the Scandinavian News and mail it, together with your cheque for \$50.00, to the Scandinavian Centre, 600 McLeod Building, Edmonton, Alberta.

If you are not able to buy a share now, say when you can buy it. If you cannot buy one at all, tell the person who phones you that you will take your responsibility and find a new shareholder.

The following is a complete list of the Committee members. If you haven't been called yet, give one of them a call. If you have been called and now have decided to buy a share, phone her (or him) and say so. This will encourage the committee members tremendously.

1. Mrs. Vera Nielsen, 10029 - 85 Avenue, Phone GE 9-0506.
2. Mrs. Lillian Ness, 10916 - 56 Street, Phone HO 6-9548.
3. Mrs. Lissi Christensen, 10951 - 164 Street, Phone 489-4806.
4. Mrs. Betty Anderson, 15925 - 110B Avenue, Phone HU 9-6490.
5. Mrs. Lydia Naversteth, 10157 - 122 Street, Phone HU 8-4794.
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7. Mr. and Mrs. John Ogren, 9015 - 91 Street, Phone HO 6-6344.
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9. Mrs. Sonja Sund, 5211 - 109 Avenue, Phone HO 6-0243.
10. Mrs. A. Kauppila, 32 Mural Crescent, St. Albert, Phone 599-6971.
11. Mrs. Pat Lane, 7636 - 89 Avenue, Phone HO 6-6422.

SCANDAPADES

Produced by The Scandinavian Centre Cultural Activities Committee.

The members of the committee are:

Mrs. Riku Vesaniemi, Finnish Society; Mr. Rudy Sund, Vasa Lodge Skandia; Mrs. Mina McDonald, Sons of Norway; Mr. Peter Sorenson, Danish Society "Dania"; Mrs. Freda Smith, Icelandic Society; K. L. Svidal, Carl Elgstrand, Lilly Taylor.

The first meeting of the Fall Season was held at the home of Knut Svidal on November 13th. Plans were discussed for the opening number and the finale number. Backed by a full show orchestra,

1964

the estimated 100 players taking part in costume should most certainly fill the heart of any Scandinavian with pride.

The show itself will highlight 5 scenes or settings as we might look forward to seeing them in the future Scandinavian Centre. As pleasant diversions or appetizers in the show, dances, comedy numbers, musical selections, etc., will keep your spirit "floating enthusiastically" from beginning to end.

Nothing — nothing on the part of the Committee will be spared to make Scandapades '64 at the 10th Annual Scandinavian Night truly an outstanding and long-remembered experience.

Pie Social

Members of Sons of Norway enjoyed a pie social and a night of bingo at the Masonic Temple on October 25th.

Mrs. Sam Holten, Mrs. S. Sather and Mr. S. Halberg were exceptionally good players or just lucky, which ever it was they each captured a fair share of the lovely prizes.

The Lodge initiated three more members that evening all women. Mrs. Shelah Davis, Mrs. Leona McFayden and Mrs. Tordis McRoberts.

35th Anniversary Celebrations

Vasa Lodge Norden No. 513 Meeting Creek, Alberta, celebrated their 35th Anniversary on November 9th.

President Alfonse Streberg opened the ceremony wishing everyone welcome and giving honorary mention of Charter members, who are still with them today. Norman Petterson of Vasa Lodge Skandia No. 549 arranged and directed an enjoyable, amusing program including the following performers:

Dorothy Rock, Norman Petterson, Raul Nyroos supplying musical accompaniment for the children's numbers; Randy Watson, Gordon Johnson, Peggy Johnson and Leslie Watson, who displayed a fine performance.

District Master Margaret Eliasson extended greetings from the District and from herself presented the Lodge with a bouquet of flowers, which were later given to Mrs. F. Anderson and Mrs. C. Skov.

Greetings to the Lodge were also received from Grand Lodge by Grand Lodge Deputy Eric Pierre, Medicine Hat G.C.D. Scandinavian Lodge No. 670 and Vasa Lodge Skandia No. 549.

A delicious lunch was served including a lovely decorated anniversary cake. Dancing concluded this memorable evening.

Annual Scandinavian Night - January 18, 1964

EDITORIAL

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

BY S. A. SORENSON



On November 8, 1963, the Sons of Norway held their annual traditional Lutefisk Supper. Someone said to me: "Isn't it a wonderful crowd, everyone so well behaved; there doesn't seem to be the drinking that there used to be." Ys, it is wonderful to see that people are learning that they don't have to be soaked to the eyebrows to have a good time. People are learning that "drowning their sorrows" only has a temporary effect, and so aggravates the problem later.

As we gather with our friends and relatives this Christmas, let us remember that Gluttony and Drunkenness are a sin again Christ — the man whose birthday we are celebrating. Let us therefore put Christ into Christmas, and strive in our everyday living to be more like Him. This will give us that richer, happier, more purposeful life that we are all seeking. With these thoughts, I wish you all a JOYOUS CHRISTMAS SEASON.

PLANNING COMMITTEE TRYING TO EFFECT SAVINGS ON BUILDING CONTRACT

Mr. H. Markstrom, Chairman; G. A. Larson, and John Rama have held several meetings with the purpose of trying to save money on the total contract price of \$105,439.00. At the time of writing it has been decided to substitute overhead wiring for underground wiring; the savings will be a minimum of \$500.00.

DIRECTORS MEET ON NOVEMBER 12, 1963

- Highlights of the meeting were:
- 16 share applications accepted from: J. Fagerberg, B. Hvass, I. A. Mast, P. B. Mathieson, F. Kadoski, S. A. Lindahl, H. Krag, C. J. Johnson, E. K. Christansen, G. K. Jensen, E. Johnson, K. Sorensen, S. B. Nielsen, S. D. Johnson, N. C. Dittrich and L. Lefsrud.
 - Mr. Don Johnson and Mr. Peter Sather elected to the Board of Directors to fill the vacancies left by Don Shaw and S. J. Johnson.
 - Committee on Furnishings and Decorating for the new Centre was appointed: P. N. Christensen, Chairman; Erik Hansen, Don Larsen.
 - Share-selling Telephone Committee was to be set up with S. A. Sorenson in charge. This would be a follow-up on the letter to shareholders in the November issue of the News.
 - The committee in charge of the 10th Annual Scandinavian Night will be S. A. Sorenson, H. A. Hansen, and Inge Anderson.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEET NOV. 13, 1963

The committee members met at the home of K. L. Svidal to plan Scandapades 1964 production. An all-out effort is being made to make the Tenth Annual Scandinavian Night at the Jubilee Auditorium on January 18, 1964, an outstanding success.

MAILING LIST REPORT

- Changes — 23 additions; 14 changes; 7 cancellations. Cancellations are necessary for several reasons:
1. The shareholder has moved, and his new address cannot be located.
 2. The shareholder sells his share.
 3. The News has been mailed to a non-shareholder in error.
- Your assistance in getting the following names back on the mailing list will be appreciated.
- Walter A. Artokivi
Ruby Augustson
C. M. Hansen
Paul B. Larsen
Emanuel Maki
T. J. Kvja
G. I. Pedersen

Phone S. A. Sorenson at GA 4-7311.

"ANNUAL SCANDINAVIAN NIGHT" COMMITTEE MEETS

There will be 2,727 tickets printed for 2,727 seats at the Jubilee Auditorium. The admission price to the Scandapades production will be \$1.00. The committee's aim is to have a sell-out of every seat. This is the year of building the Centre. This is the year we must raise money. The committee urges every shareholder to co-operate to the full in ticket selling. Since there are no extra tickets, and each ticket is therefore a reservation for one seat, all tickets must be paid for on delivery.

A tasty Scandinavian lunch will be served under the capable management of H. A. (Gus) Hansen. Prices will be marked.

You will enjoy dancing to the Scandinavian melodies of Carl Elgstrand's orchestra, and to the modern rhythm of Ford's Classic Teen-Age Band. Dancing will be from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. in the Social, Assembly, Banquet and Club rooms at \$1.00 per person.

Mr. Inge Anderson will be in charge of all publicity and advertising.

- Show tickets may be obtained from:
- (1) The Edmonton Allied Arts Council Box Office — The Hudson's Bay Store, Phone 422-2454.
 - (2) The office of the Scandinavian Centre — 600 McLeod Building, Phone GA 4-7311.

Fish . . . The Big Thing In Iceland

Fish are the big thing in Iceland. Fish are plentiful there — about 10,000 pounds per year per head of population, as a matter of fact. You can get fish almost any place. At any time. At any price. All you have to do is bring your own truck.

The people of this North Atlantic island republic catch, eat and sell more fish per capita than other people now or ever.

According to the Yearbook of Fishery Statistics of the Food and Agriculture Organization, Iceland in 1961 the latest year for which world figures are available — had a total fish catch of 703,000 tons. There are only 170,000 people in all of the country's 40,000 square miles. That works out to about four and half tons per square mile.

Luckily, the Icelanders like fish. They eat more than anybody anywhere — smoked, fried, salted, baked, dried, roasted, stewed, pickled, casserole, whole, halved, plain or fancy. You name it. If the Icelanders haven't tried it that way they'll probably be happy, delighted, to give it a go.

Iceland exports fish too — about 99 per cent of all she catches. That's a lot of fish, a lot of fine quality cold water cod, haddock, herring, plaice, halibut and redfish, an Icelandic specialty. In 1961 the little nation earned \$65,063,000 from her fisheries exports, a neat 798,400,000 in Icelandic kronur. In fact, in 1961 Iceland ranked fourteenth in national catch statistics and sixth in export earnings.

And Iceland's annual fish feat is accomplished with just 6,000 fishermen. But what fishermen!

Iceland's fishermen average better than 115 tons per year per man. United States and West German fishermen average about 25 tons, the Norwegian eight, the Japanese five. More than two million fishermen in Asia and Africa average only about one ton per man per year.

The world average per fisherman is at best three tons a year. This means the Icelandic catches four to five times as much as his closest European competitor and some 30 to 40 times more than the world average.

How can Iceland, a tiny nation compared to literally all the other fishing powers, maintain such a pace! First the Icelanders have long been leaders in testing new gear and methods. Nowhere is big-scale fishing more modern. And nowhere is the fisherman backed up

Applying for his citizenship papers, Gino was doing all right until he came to the question about the Canadian flag. "What is it," asked the judge, "That you always see flying over the court house?" "Peejins!" confidently replied Gino.

so solidly. Behind each of Iceland's fishermen stands at least \$10,000 investment and 40 to 50 horsepower in the world's most rugged and high powered fishing boats.

It is not surprising that next to their having established the world's first parliament — the "Althing," set up in 930 — the Icelanders are most proud of their fishing expertise. It is also not surprising that Iceland exports fishing talent as well as fish.

Nine Icelanders have worked or are working for FAO's Fisheries Division: Messrs. Bergs, Kvaran, Illugason, Jonsson, Hermann and Jon Einarsson, Kristjonsson, Gudmundsson and Saemundsson. Their work in Argentina, Brazil, Ceylon, East Pakistan, India, Peru Turkey and Uruguay has impressed all hands.

Illugason five years ago created a legend throughout India when he caught a six-ton 32-foot whale shark with only a small gaff hook and 50 fathoms of rope. That's the biggest fish ever caught in India. Last year he sailed 1,300 miles from Ceylon to Calcutta in an open boat. Illugason has gone over big with India's fishermen. They think he can catch any fish in the sea. He teaches them that they can take fish galore, if they fish properly and insist upon the right gear.

Hilmer Kristjonsson, with FAO since 1952, heads the United Nations agency's fishing gear section and will be secretary for the important Second FAO World Fishing Gear Congress coming up in London, May 25-31. Yet another Icelandic, Dr. Arni Fridriksson, is Secretary General of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea.

Thus do the Icelanders export fish and fishing talent. But how about imports? Does Iceland also import fish? Not a pound. It would be like Brazil importing coffee, Libya sand, or China people. And guess what the Icelanders do when they are not taking tons of fish from the salty sea? They go fishing, fresh water fishing. The island's rivers — swift, cold, deep, unpolluted — teem with some of the world's finest salmon and fattest trout.

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FINNISH FOOTNOTES

The Finnish Society of Edmonton will be presenting "KUN ROUVAT EPAILEVAT" as their 10th anniversary play, at three different places in December. See page 3 of this paper for all the details.

A preliminary Annual Meeting of the Finnish Society will be held on December 3rd commencing at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Salomaa. Let's all come and have a good turnout.

Coffee will be served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Ristola to mark the Independence Day of Finland on the evening of December 6th. The address is 13013 - 82 Street. Everyone is cordially invited.

Mrs. T. Virtanen would like to thank the Finnish Society for the flowers that she received during her stay at the hospital.

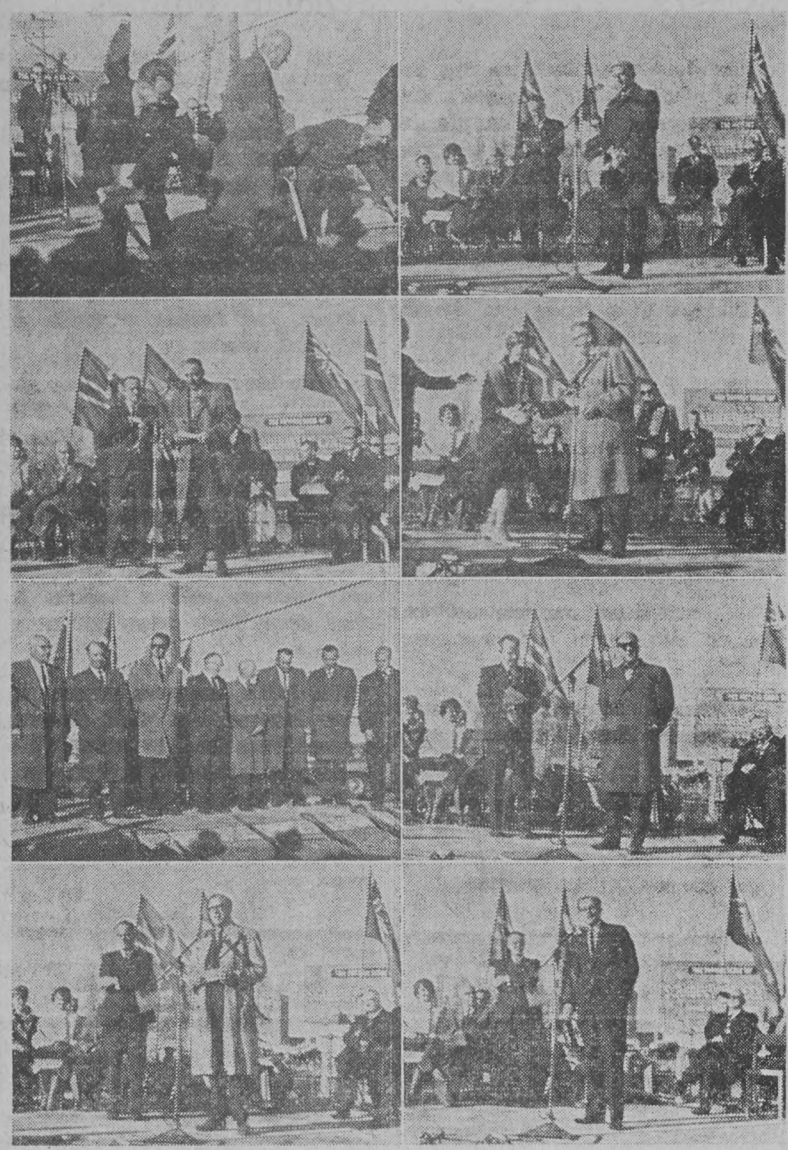
Thanks go to Mrs. J. Rama who was hostess of last month's sewing-circle. You will be notified of the time and place of the next sewing-circle at a later date, as there will not be one in December.

Congratulations to Miss Terry Kammonen who recently graduated from the University School of Nursing.

Wishes for a speedy recovery go to Mr. H. Haapakoski who has been a patient in the University Hospital for some time.

BUY NOW . . . YOUR SCANDAPADE TICKET - \$1.00

SCENES FROM SOD-TURNING CEREMONIES — OCTOBER 27, 1963



OVER 600 ATTEND

On Sunday, October 27, 1963, at 2:00 p.m., the Sod-Turning Ceremonies took place for the Scandinavian Centre, located on the north-west corner of the intersection of 125 Avenue and 142 Street, Edmonton.

Mr. S. A. Sorenson conducted the ceremonies. The MacDonald Quartet — Crystal, Angus, Jimmy and Ma sang "Our Scandinavian Home," and concluded the ceremonies with "God Be With You Until We Meet Again." Mrs. Irene Hovde sang "The Immigrant's Song" and Mrs. Crystal MacDonald Fleuty sang "Nidvelven." The Carl Elgstrand Orchestra added much to the gaiety of the afternoon.

Picture 1—
Sig Sorenson and Sig Johnson are turning the sod, while John Rama looks on.

Picture 2—
S. A. Sorenson has just introduced Harold Markstrom, President of the Scandinavian Centre. Mr. Markstrom welcomed the guests and proclaimed the construction of the new Scandinavian Centre officially begun.

Picture 3—
The directors from left to right: John Rama, S. J. Johnson, P. N. Christensen, H. A. Hansen, G. A. Larson, H. Markstrom, K. L. Svidal and I. Anderson. Messrs. Don Shaw and Tony Salomaa were unavoidably absent.

Picture 4—
Mr. Arne Johannessen, Consul for Norway, brings greetings and wishes the Centre project well.

Picture 5—
Dr. A. O. Minsos, Architect for the Scandinavian Centre, announces that he is happy to have had a share in the realization of the Centre.

Picture 6—
Mr. Peter Sather, President of Sons of Norway, is presenting Miss Anita Searl with the Holiday Travel Trophy. Miss Searl was chosen Queen of the United Nations in recent ceremonies at the Jubilee Auditorium. She represented Sons of Norway Lodge.

Picture 7—
Mr. Knud Holm-Pedersen, Vice-Consul for Denmark, wishes the Centre well, while Hon. L. C. Halmrast, Minister of Welfare, looks on. Mr. Halmrast spoke later and gave greetings on behalf of the Government of Alberta.

Picture 8—
The Hon. R. Reiersen, Minister of Labour, also greeted the assembly on behalf of the Government of Alberta. He said that he was shareholder and of course expected to be paid dividends — dividends that would enhance the cultural, social and recreative activities of our community.

Finnish Society To Present 10th Anniversary Play

The Finnish Society of Edmonton will be presenting, "KUN ROUVAT EPAILEVAT", as their 10th Anniversary Play. The play will be presented at three different places.

First of all, it will be presented at Cromdale Hall in Edmonton on December 7th. The cast will then travel to Thorhild, Alberta on December 13th and to Eckville, Alberta on December 14th.

The cast consists of many well-known faces. They are as follows: Erkki Luhtala and Toini Virtanen as Mr. and Mrs. Kaisla, Onni Virtanen and Anja Sahuri as Mr. and Mrs. Vaarala, Vaino Rastas as a musician (Taiteilija), and Sirkka Vesaniemi as Maid (Palvelijatar). Newcomers to the cast are Rita Nahkuri as an Artist (Maalajatar) and Irja Rastas as a Writer (Kirjailijatar).

The cast will be travelling to Thorhild by cars. The trip to

Eckville, however, will be made by chartered bus. It is hoped that many Finnish Edmontonians will join them on these trips.

Please note that the trip to Eckville has been especially arranged for you so that you can enjoy the evening fully, as well as the trip there and back. In this way, you will not have to worry about driving home tired, on the night. We are sure that you will enjoy yourself much more without these worries.

Those interested in accompanying the cast to Eckville are asked to contact Mr. O. Virtanen at 479-8185, for reservations for the bus.

Remember to reserve these evenings and go together to welcome our old friends and make new ones.

Once again, we hope that you will come out and join us on these occasions.

Buy Your Tickets Now To Scandapades, 1964

10th Annual Scandinavian Night January 18, Jubilee Auditorium

All shareholders will have the opportunity to secure tickets for themselves and their friends now. There are 2,727 seats only available for Scandapades 1964. The Share-Selling Committee, when contacting shareholders regarding the purchase of shares, have arranged the sale of many tickets. Because of the capacity of the Auditorium, ticket sales are very closely controlled to ensure that no one who purchases a ticket will be without a seat.

The 10 years of the Scandinavian Centre Association have seen crowds increase consistently at their Annual Scandinavian Night. Now, too, there is a greater interest than ever among all Scandinavians in the Scandinavian Center since construction on the building itself started on October 27th.

The Cultural Committee is producing an exceptional show — Scandapades 1964 — complete with outstanding performances to please everyone's taste.

Because of the great interest in this year's production by many other cultural groups and individuals, seats will be at a premium. Phone for your seats now . . . S. A. Sorenson, GA 4-7311.

SMILE . . .

"Halt! Who goes there?"
"American."
"Advance and recite the second verse of "The Star Spangled Banner."
"I don't know it."
"Proceed, American."

Young man, don't run after women. You can stroll along leisurely and get mixed up with more of them than you'll know what to do about.

Program Highlights Smorgasbord

Vasa Lodge Skandia held their annual Smorgasbord on October 26th in the Masonic Temple with 500 persons attending.

The ladies prepared a delicious table consisting of many varied and authentic dishes.

The highlight of this year's Smorgasbord was the program which was most entertaining and enjoyable, again arranged and directed by Lil Taylor, with President Sig Johnson acting as Master of Ceremonies. It featured many colorful and talented performers which included:

Vocal and Piano — Rene Jokanson.

Folk Dance — Vasa Juniors — Randy Watson, Jerry Kurz, Michael Skoog, Jim Johnson, Linda Samuelson, Gale Sund, Gale Sundstrom and Rita Pearson.

Vocal Solos — Harvey Sundahl. Comedy and Musical Numbers — Gil Erickson and Wally Hapner.

Vocal Solos — Diane Nelson.

Comic Monologue — (Lena) Dorothy Rock.

Vocal Solos — Ronald Nelson followed by Vocal Duets by Ron and Diane Nelson.

Folk Dancing — Vasa Folk Dancers — Verna Kvanberg, Carol Engval, Pauline Johnson, Audrey Eliasson, Peter Johnson, Ken Pettersen, Glen Eliasson, Brian Johnson.

President of Buford Lodge No. 577 and District Cultural Leader, Floyd Modin, urged everyone to support the Children's Flight to Sweden in 1964.

Although attendance was not as high as anticipated, feelings were that this was the most enjoyable Smorgasbord in many years. The evening was completed with dancing to Carl Elgstrand and Wally Hepner Orchestras.

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Greetings . . .

"The Holiday Season is almost here and I would like to extend my warmest wish for a Very Merry Christmas, Good Health, Peace and Prosperity, to you all in the coming year."

—Signed,
Gunnar Thorvaldson,
President, Edmonton
Icelandic Society.

Christmas Party

The Edmonton Icelandic Society will hold their annual Christmas Party on Sunday afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock, at Molsons' Edmonton House, on 104th Avenue and 120th Street. Treats and refreshments will be served. Special entertainment for the kiddies has been arranged. The highlight of the afternoon will be the arrival of Santa Claus. Everyone is invited — bring ALL the kiddies.

Note to parents — Please bring gifts for each child, not over \$1.00. and with name attached. For more information phone HO 6-1570, President Gunnar Thorvaldson.

Birthday Greetings . . .

To Mrs. O. T. Johnson, December 28th and all those celebrating their birthdays during December.

"Just think of things you really want
And things you'd like to do —
These are the things we warmly wish
In this birthday wish for you."

Miss Lillian Reinholt, has returned to Edmonton, and has taken up residence on 106th Street, north of Jasper Avenue. A talented musician Miss Reinholt will be teaching piano, and hopes to renew acquaintances with her former pupils.

Mrs. D. F. Eyford, of Dauphin, Manitoba, is spending a few weeks visiting with her son, Mr. Glen Eyford, Mrs. Eyford and family. Mr. Eyford will arrive from Dauphin, in time to spend Christmas with his family.

Mrs. Rosa Benediktson of Red Deer, spent a few days in Edmonton, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Benediktson and family.

Weddings . . .

Mr. George Gislason and Miss Shirley Sale, both of Athabasca, were married, November 16th, in the All Saints Anglican Church. Athabasca. Mr. Gislason, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gislason, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. G. Gislason. The happy young couple will make their home in Athabasca, where the groom is employed by the Department of Public Works.

A very beautiful wedding was held in the Knox United Church, Killam, on November 16th, when Miss Doreen Palmer became the bride of Mr. Neal Cameron of Sedgewick. The happy couple will honeymoon in California, and on their return will take up residence on the groom's farm in Sedgewick. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Don Cameron, and Donna, of Edmonton, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hickling, of Barrie, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Hickling will spend a few days in Edmonton, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Don Cameron, before returning to Barrie, Ontario.

A Visit To Winnipeg . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henrickson have just returned from a visit to Winnipeg, Brandon and Gimli. The highlight of their trip was to welcome a beautiful new granddaughter, Barbara Lee, born Octo-

WELCOME CHRISTMAS

Christmas, dear Christmas, we welcome you back
For you bring joy to both penthouse and shack;
To the aged, fond memories of gladness and cheer,
To children, fulfilment of dreams so dear.

Christmas means enjoying friendship's delight
A wondrous white world so sparkling and bright,
It also means loving, giving and sharing,
And much remembering and preparing.

To Scandinavians it means lutefisk, shinka and rice
Shared with family and friends so nice,
"Julotta" with candles, sleighbells and singing
In the early morn, when church bells are ringing.

Yes, Christmas means generous giving and light
With hopes that "Peace on Earth" may be in sight,
With no more atom bombs to pollute the world,
When the word "neighbor" is not just a byword.

—Betty Pearson

Historical
Evening
November 8th

Our Social Director at the time of planning the years calendar of activities named November 8th as "Historical Evening" and by coincidence it turned out to be another historical date for Solglyt Lodge.

Two beautiful trophies were presented, the first of their kind in Edmonton. Mr. Bob Neville of Holiday Travel presented a "Miss United Nations" trophy to Anita Searl, and a larger one was accepted by President P. Sather on behalf of the Lodge. The trophies had been presented the previous week at the Jubilee Auditorium to Anita by Mr. Glen Gray also of Holiday Travel.

A number of interesting films were shown by Betty McKevitt and Irene Lagergren of their summer trip to the Scandinavian countries and Europe. Irene also showed a brief film of the sod turning ceremonies at the site of the Scandinavian Centre.

Mrs. D. McKenzie of Berwyn, recently visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris McNaughton enroute to Red Deer where she will spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Longacre. Mrs. Longacre is Mrs. McKenzie's daughter.

Howard McNaughton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris McNaughton, was confirmed Sunday, November 17th, at the Church of the Good Shepherd.

U.N. Concert . . .

The Edmonton Icelandic Society was very well represented at the United Nation's Concert in the Auditorium. Mrs. Margaret Decosse, of St. Paul, was soloist, and Mrs. Della Roland a most able accompanist. Mrs. Decosse's beautiful rendition of the lovely old Icelandic song "Draumaland," and her second song "Aria from Mozart's The Marriage of Figaro" were very well received by the large audience. Dr. Decosse and family motored in from St. Paul to attend the concert.

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Committee Reports
Successful Evening

The November 2nd meeting was held in the I.O.O.F. Temple. Eric Pierre, head of the Smorgasbord Committee, reported that 500 persons attended this affair and stated that the program was very entertaining and the food delicious, as always. Sister Pearson thanked everyone for their splendid help and participation to make this evening such a success.

Sister Hokanson has offered her services as Lodge pianist.

Time for the December meeting was changed to 6:30 p.m.

Nomination of new officers was held. Whist parties will resume in November.

A small-scale smorgasbord was served for lunch and was very tasty.

A dance followed with music supplied by Carl Elgstrand's orchestra.

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Christmas Traditions In Norway

"Holy Night, Peaceful Night," will soon be sung in many lands, as the Christmas Star sheds its beams around the world, and in Norway, Canada and many other lands the happy preparations begin. Customs vary from district, though it is most often in the rural tracts of Norway that interesting holdovers from a bygone day add color to the Yuletide festivities. Common to all regions, however, is the thorough house cleaning and the immense amount of cooking and baking which precede the Christmas feast. On the farm the fall slaughtering is delayed until just before yule. The Christmas pig whose growth throughout the year has been carefully watched by all members of the family, plays an important part in the yule ritual. Every part of the animal is used for some traditional dish, several kinds of sausage, hams, cutlets, fats and trimmings right down to the feet, which are pickled in brine. Other chores must be done, wood has to be chopped for the first three days of yule, the animals must be given an extra portion of feed. On Christmas Eve all work must be finished by 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the village church bell rings in the period of "Christmas Peace."

The women scrub and bake for weeks. In many districts it is still a must to have fourteen different kinds of cookies baked and on hand — a different kind for each day of the extended yuletide celebration. Lutefisk is of course the traditional dish on Christmas Eve. Christmas Eve in Norway belongs to the children. After the family is finished with he eating and the opening of the presents, usually placed under the Christmas tree young and old join hands and move around the decorated tree singing the old familiar Christmas Carols. On Christmas day it is early rising to be in time for morning church services. The peal of church bells sound far and wide, and in the country side long lines of sleds or cars head towards the shrines of worship. In many coastal districts it may involve many miles of rowing, providing the fjord is ice free. After the service there is a general shaking of hands and the seasons greeting Gledelig Jul or God Yul and then home to tables laden with food.

Parties, visits, Christmas caroling and general celebrating continue for eight days, until New Year's Day. Christmas in Norway comes to an end usually after fourteen days of celebration.

This is a brief story review from the book Celebrating Christmas Around the World.

Norwegian Humanitarians Cited

Two Norwegians, Sigurd Halvorsen and Ragnar Anderson, are among the 24 Europeans who have received the Lane Bryant International Volunteer Citation "for selfless dedication and extraordinary devotion" as volunteers in humanitarian service during 1961 and 1962. The citation means they are among those being actively considered for the \$1,000 Lane Bryant Award for 1961 - '62, which will be presented on November 21 in New York City.

Sigurd Halvorsen has been chairman of the Norwegian Refugee Council since 1948. Under his leadership, the Council has collected some \$3 1/2 million from Norwegians for

Smoked Eel

This delicacy is now being exported by Samband isl. samvinnufelaga, Reykjavik. As Iceland's leading exporter of various fish products, Samband opened a Products Development Plant at Hafnarfjörður in June, 1962. This plant has modern smoking facilities, which were originally mainly intended for eel smoking. It has been known for a long time that eel was to be found in the clear Icelandic lakes and lagoons. Still the Icelanders have never known how to utilize this delicious fish, not even at times when the population was threatened by starvation.

Last year about 100 farmers all over the country were given the opportunity of catching eels with eel traps supplied by Samband, and smoked eel was exported for the first time. Experiments have also been made with the smoking of various kinds of other fish, such as salmon, trout and haddock for the home market and herring for export.

—Iceland Review

international refugee relief. Grants from NRC have helped to build homes, trade schools and clinics for refugees in such countries as Algeria, Tunis and Morocco, as well as Hong Kong.

Ragner Anderson began his humanitarian work while a Nazi prisoner at Grini concentration camp. After the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia he arranged to bring refugees from that country to Norway. On his initiative, the Norwegian - Czechoslovak Relief Committee was founded in 1950. Under his leadership, the Committee has built an 11 storey refugee home in Oslo, and organized annual holiday programs and summer schools for refugee children.

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Mr. I. Sken our Librarian for the past year has gone to Vancouver for the winter to recuperate from a recent operation.

Mrs. Knut Storheim was recently confined to bed with the flu and suffering from a slipped disc, but we are happy to report she is feeling better now.

Mrs. Halvor Johnson spent a week in October visiting with her daughter at Unity, Saskatchewan and took in the country fair. She placed a number of knitted, crocheted and embroidered articles in the exhibit and took first, second and third prizes, winning 13 in all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Rikstad spent two weeks visiting Mary's mother, Mrs. Stec at Camrose. Mary and Clarence have acquired a farm at Bawlf where they spend many of their weekends. The boys love it.

Mr. and Mrs. Searl had as their guest over the long weekend Mr. Vinson Searl from Rosetown, Saskatchewan.

The Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. N. Naverseth, October 30. Plans were made for Lutfisk night. Our Auxiliary President that evennig was a man, guess who? Mrs. Sivertsen our regular president was confined to her home with the flu.

Good Research Results In Spitsbergen

Director Tore Gjelsvik, of Norwegian Polar Institute, Oslo, reports that NPI scientific expeditions had a rewarding summer in Spitsbergen this year. With the assistance of helicopters and snow-scooters, researchers were able to carry out far more work than in any preceding summer, he says. Altogether NPI had fifteen expeditions in the field, including seven geological parties.

Trigonometrical triangulation of a 7,000 square mile area in West Spitsbergen was successfully completed by surveyors using two helicopters. Snow-scooters, used by two of the three geological parties working out of the main base at Billefjord, helped greatly to speed up transportation.

Hydrographers aboard the ocean research vessel "H. U. Sverdrup" used a Decca High Fix unit to survey waters northwest of West Spitsbergen, thus achieving greater precision than ever before. An echo-sounder was used to draw continuous echo-grams over a 1,250 nautical mile distance.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Solglyt Lodge will hold their meeting on December 4th at the home of Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen, 9904 - 105 Street, at 8:00 p.m.

Future Dates

December 6th — Election of officers.
December 15th — Juletraes Fest.
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The second item of interest is the Wednesday noon worship schedule. These brief moments of worship begin at 12:05. Advent meditation and special music are part of each service. Immediately following the worship service, a lunch is served by the women of Augustana. All people whether working, living, or shopping in downtown Edmonton are welcome to take part in these services.

Christmas will be observed at Augustana with a 7 a.m. service on Christmas day. The liturgy and sermon will be in English. A Swedish Choir is being asked to sing at the traditional early morning worship service.

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Miss United Nations

A high school student as well as Miss United Nations, blonde Anita Searl studies with a book in one hand and her Miss UN banner in the other. The 18-year-old student at Jasper Place Composite High School was awarded the Miss UN title, Saturday, at the UN folk festival in the Jubilee Auditorium. She represented the Sons of Norway, and won the title over eight other contestants. An essay contest as well as beauty and charm were criteria in judging the contest.

Anita Louise Searl United Nations Queen

Sponsored by the Sons of Norway Lodge, Anita Searl accepted the invitation to enter the United Nations Week contest. The candidates were chosen based on poise, beauty, and a 200-word essay written by the candidates on "The United Nations Peace Force." Anita was judged the winner over eight other candidates representing other countries.

The "Queen" was presented with numerous gifts from local stores, passes to theatres, as well as a plane trip to Calgary awarded by Holiday Travel. A beautiful trophy symbolizing the work of The Peace Force was also presented. This trophy will be held by Sons of Norway Lodge for a year; a small replica was given to Anita to keep.

The presentation was made by Bob and Mel Neville of Holiday Travel at a Lodge meeting held November 8th at Molson House. Anita graciously thanked everyone, and quoted a few appropriate lines from her essay . . . "The United Nations has pledged itself to the eradication of ignorance, hunger, poverty, disease, and the scourge of war."

Sons of Norway also took part in the program celebrating United Nations Week, and arranged a Norwegian display at the Jubilee Auditorium. Mina McDonald is Lodge representative to United Nations Week.

DANIA DOINGS

Dania's Annual Meeting

Dania's annual meeting was held on October 30 with too few of its members present as usual. The meeting went as scheduled and quite a few things came up for discussion, such as the annual Christmas Party for the children, as it has been a big expense in former years and the membership went down last year. It was decided however, that the new board of directors should use their own judgment, as to the best way for the club to hold a Christmas Party. So on the first meeting after the annual meeting it was decided to have the Christmas Party for the members children only. The dance after will be open to everyone at the usual price.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Danish Society "DANIA", all you have to do, is to contact one of the board members or you may send \$3.00 to the Secretary, Mrs. Vera Nielsen, 10029 - 85 Avenue, and a 1964 Membership Card will be mailed to you by return mail. For further information please phone GE 9-0506. Let us start the year with a 1964 Membership in "DANIA." If you like fill in the Membership form and send it to the Secretary.

Registration form for the children's party will be mailed to members, please return same as early as possible, not later than December 15.

The new board of directors are as follows:

President, Peter Sorensen, 11045 - 84 Avenue; Vice-President, Poul B. Larsen, 9608 - 65 Avenue; Treasurer, Svend Nielsen, Box 4219 South Edmonton; Secretary, Vera Nielsen, 10029 - 85 Avenue; Board Members, Aage Mortensen, 9307 - 69 Avenue; Svend Aage Hermann, 9448 - 151 Street; Inge Godberson, 9056 - 92 Street; Revisorer, Thorvald Nielsen and Erling Sorensen.

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The "Damekredsen" of Ansgar Danish Lutheran Church held their annual meeting on November 7th at the Church basement.

Elected to the Board Members were as follows: Mrs. Vera Nielsen, President; Mrs. Ellen Hansen, Vice-President; Mrs. Mary Jensen, Treasurer; Mrs. Maren Pedersen, Secretary.

Mrs. Christophersen, past president, thanked the ladies for the

time she was president, she did not feel she could carry on as her health is not always of the best. Mrs. F. Nonnecke, past treasurer, was sorry not to be able to carry on, but her health is not very good. Mrs. Nonnecke was elected auditor together with Mrs. Marie Petersen.

The ladies held their fall bazaar on November 15th which was well attended and gave the ladies a good support at their auction, there were many nice things for sale, both handwork, toys, food, etc., a real good variety. The picture was won by Mr. Lars Rasmussen, the globe by Mr. Sigurd Christensen, the ship by Ellen Nielsen and the crib table by Mr. Fred Poulsen, a homeknit sweater was won by Mrs. Mary Jensen.

Thank you to everyone that helped the ladies to make a success out of this evening. A thank you to Mr. C. Christophersen for being the auctioneer.

Mrs. C. Christophersen went to Winnipeg for a couple of weeks to be with her daughter, who is undergoing surgery in one of the hospitals there.

Mr. Peter Sorensen, 9838 - 85 Avenue has been operated on at the Royal Alexander Hospital, we all wish him a speedy recovery.

"BIKUBEN" will hold their annual Christmas Meeting on December 16th, the third Monday of the month, the ladies are asked to each bring a little parcel and a little of their Christmas baking, so we all can have a taste of the goodies. Remember 10029 - 85 Ave.

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SKANDIA HIGHLIGHTS
Vasa Lodge Children's Club
The next children's club meeting will be held on December 1st at 2 p.m. in the I.O.O.F. Temple. Practices will be held for the coming Christmas Concert on December 15th at 6 p.m. in the I.O.O.F. Temple.

Ladies' Auxiliary
The last Vasa Ladies' Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 12th at the home of Mary Pearson, 11625 - 124th Street.

Draw for the hand made quilt will be made at the December 7th Lodge meeting.

A good attendance of ladies turned out for this November meeting. The time and place for the next meeting in January will be decided upon and the ladies will be contacted.

Past Presidents
The Past Presidents held a November 10th meeting at the home of Gust and Helga Johnson.

Bowling
The league will feature a bowl-off for cash prizes on December 20th.

Members who are sick and those convalescing are wished speedy recoveries. Erlund Markstrom, Roger Sund, Anna Sund, Helen Riley, Helmer Nelson, Marjorie Correll, Teckla Nylen, Helmer Johnson.

A whist drive will be held on November 20th at 8 p.m. in the Westwood Hall, 122nd Avenue and 105th Street. Everyone is welcome so bring your friends for an enjoyable evening, and prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. Kurz and family, have been visiting relatives at Golden, B.C.

The following members attending Meeting Creek Lodge No. 513, 35th Anniversary Celebrations on November 9th and had a very enjoyable evening: Hansine and Eric Pierre, Betty and Magnus Pearson, Evelyn and Willard Modin, Violet and Bert Watson, Margaret Eliasson, Audrey Eliasson, Norman Petterson, Dorothy Rock, Raul Nyroos, Randy Watson, Leslie Watson, Gordon Johnson, Peggy Johnson.

District Master Margaret Eliasson has been visiting Branting Lodge No. 417, Calgary and GCD Scandinavian No. 670 Medicine Hat Lodge. Best wishes were sent from both Lodges to Vasa Lodge Skandia.

Matt and Leonard Eliasson and family have been visiting relatives in Lacombe, Alberta.

Henry, Kerstin and Thomas Lindblad are moving to Stockholm Sweden. Their journey home will be via St. Paul, Minnesota to visit

Funny Bone

A motorcycle policeman stopped a pedestrian for jaywalking. "Buster, watch your step" said the officer as he gave the offender a ticket, "you get three of these in a year, and we take away your shoes!"

A businessman thought his staff was rather lazy and indifferent, so he pinned up the following notice: "Bread is the staff of life, but that is no reason why the continual loaf".

A lady motorist was driving along a country road when she noticed a couple of repairmen climbing telephone poles. "Fools!" she exclaimed to her companion, "they must think I never drove before."

Kerstin's sister and New York City.

Greetings and best wishes to all are extended from Vasa Lodge Skandia Officers and members. Also a prosperous New Year to the Scandinavian Centre.

The Children's Club will be holding their annual Christmas Concert on December 15th at 6 p.m. in the I.O.O.F. Temple.

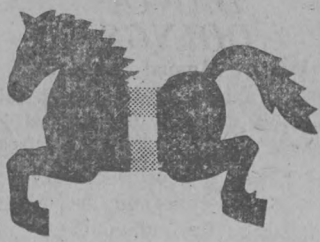
Mrs. Amanda Nelson is visiting relatives and friends at Provost, Alberta.

Minnie Markstrom and Ivy Ogren were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous shower in the home of Minnie Markstrom, for Caroline Lindberg, whose marriage to Ron Martin took place on Friday, November 8th.

Tessa and Henry Benstrom and family are now residing in New York City, N.Y.

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